JUSTIFICATION OF LIFE.

By JULIA CHANDLER MANZ.

The Christmas season that binds the home ties closer brought such a sense of uselessness and isolation to The Lonely Woman that

But a hand that needed her sorely dragged her back from the Valley of the Shadow into the light of loving and being loved.

To those who have found their niche in the scheme of life the Christma

The years through which she had come to her drab middle age had

taught her to hate Christmas just as they had taught her a dread of all other

"Gifts without Love are no gifts at all."

more keenly than usual the air of tolerance with which her presence was

The Lonely Woman turned from her contemplation of the grey De-

a conglomeration of hap-hazard remembrances of her existence that showed

which celebrates the Christ Child's birth she was alone and forgotten by

swept the despised gifts from the bed, turned on the gas and lay down with

Lonely Woman in her mind as she slipped back into unconsciousness.

After which she closed the door, stuffed a few towels around its cracks,

alone in the room that was as colorless as her life.

bitterly sweeping them all into a pile on her

as deadly still as her sadly depressed heart.

The Lonely Woman lay very still.

Then she had failed in her purpose!

come back I could not have gone on.'

And the sobbing!

again to her window. .

in no single instance aught beyond the necessity of the giver.

hiding place, and made an undisturbed inspection of the room.

every luman being whose life she in any way touched.

eason intensifies their satisfaction in existence through all the reminders

she felt no justification in her existence.

hat come to them of loving and being loved.

In the case of he Lonely Woman it was not so.

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AS SEEN BY A WASHINGTON WOMAN

be, you never stopped to think why a whole nation was taking a holiday.

And on Thanksgiving many housewife has so much to do by way of stuffing the turkey and engineering the festivities for a reunited family that she never once stops to be thankful. And it is safe to say that help? What's the use of putting your we can each one of us do by way of on Labor Day not one working man or woman in one hundred ever takes eties? What good did Jane Addams though the task of patching up petty a thought about the dignity and privileges of American industry.

So it won't be very strange if you don't stop to think, on this busy Christmas Day, just what it is all er hopeless. about. You won't stop to remember, perhaps, that this day, which is the

ECONOMY CALENDAR

By FRANCES MARSHALL

In Place of Candy.

We spend no end of worry and lose no end of sleep devising ways to pre-vent sons of families from smoking their first cigarette, and plan ingenious

doubt that the candy habit does do a

many a home-too often leads to the

fruits and one that is least expensive is raisins, which make an ideal be-tween-meel sweet-meat. They may be bought all the way from the cheaper sorts at ten cents a box to the large.

perfect bunch variety at thirty cents, put up in tin boxes so as to insure per-fect juiciness. Then at fifty cents a box you may buy stuffed raisins which

succulent condition, at thirty cents a box. These prunes, being especially large and juicy, are put up expressly for sweetmeats and are far superior to

the ordinary kind bought for cooking

tion, for every one nowadays knows the goodness of these dried fruits of the tropics. Ginger is also especially

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TOMORROW'S MENU.

"Digestive cheese and fruit there su rill be."—Ben Jonson.

BREAKFAST.

SUPPER.

An "Emergency Plant" for Women

ed of their country and in this country for social work, the board of trustees of the New York Medical College and Hos-pital for Women has started a campaign

to raise \$30,000 by September 1, 1916. The money will be used to erect what ha been called "an emergency plant."

clous sweetmeat when ea

HOUSEWIVES DAILY

locked in deadly strife? What's the resentments, and bitter feelings, then use of talking of brotherly love when apparently all the progress we have in made toward that goal since the dawn of Christianity seems to have been lost in a simple seems of war declarations? What's the use of trying to So there is really quite a lot that

culed man in our country?

But by way of a solution to this motion of peace among the nations. difficult situation, isn't it something

HOROSCOPE.

"The stars incline, but do not compel." Saturday, December 25, 1915. Astrologers read this as another unimportant day, so far as planetary direction is concerned. It is wise, however, to be cautious in all important acts, for Uranus and Mars are both

strongly adverse. It is a time when the emotions may mislead and warning is given against impulsive decisions or promises of

devices to keep them from growing too fond of Lady Nicotine, but precious lit-tle concern the possibility that our children are over-indulging in candy ever seems to give us. Yet there is no impulsive decisions or promises of favors that will be difficult to grant. There is a sinister sign relating to romance. The middle-aged are likely to be peculiarly susceptible to love affairs. Scandais are prognosticated and men and women of prominence will be concerned in them.

Mars is in a place threatening to many. Surgeons, physicians, soldiers and all public guardians should prepare for unexpected service.

against the Indians, and her mother was a daughter of Capt. Stone, another fighter of his time. So perhaps the military blood that flowed in Miss Barton's veins made her especially interested in the means of alleviating suffering.

Miss Barton began her career as a teacher, and founded the first free school in New Jersey. She began with six pupils, and at the end of a year there were 600 in the school, which was held in a \$4,000 schoolhouse, due to her engry. deal of harm, both to teeth, to digestion, and to general health. For the craving for candy, if satisfied, will lead to loss

of appetite for the more normal or better balanced rations, and this cannot help but result in loss of strength and general robustness. The Saturday night supply of candy

Monday morning headache. Although if properly eaten, in small quantities and usually directly after a meal, candy could surely do no harm.

The craving for a bite between meals

the craving for a bite between means is perfectly normal, and for growing children and for men and women who work hard there is no doubt of the fact that a little tempting between-meal now and then is really beneficial. Eastern City.
Persons of every vocation should guard their consciences in the coming year. The planets tend toward the emphasis of selfishness, fear of pen-ury and desire to obtain money at any

meal now and then is really beneficial.
Instead of candy, why not eat more
dates, figs, or other dried fruit, and
more nuts, which satisfy the craving
for something between meals, and
which, since they do not possess so
large an amount of sugar in proportion to their other ingredients, are
much better for the general health
One of the most wholesome of dried
fruits and one that is least expensive Friends may be exceedingly unstable during 1916. Women, particularly, are likely to be led into double-dealing and deceit.

Congress has an augury of events that will be marked by heated de-bates and sensational scenes. Financial matters may cause party dissensions A senator will gain dubious public ity, if the stars are to be believed. Again Camada has a sway that in dicates civil contests, unrest and dis-content among the middle classes and many scandals connected with the army. Graft may become prominent

among the most delicious of all and patriots may be discredited.

Persons whose birthdate it is should sweetmeats.

For those who like he flavor of prunes there could be nothing much better than dried prunes, which can be bought in attractive boxes in especially in difficulties. Girls have a sinister sign for marriage. (Copyright, 1998.)

The New York Infirmary for Wom and Children has recently received a beautiful tablet as a memorial to Dr. Emily Blackwell, who with h Elizabeth, founded the hospital.

DAILY FASHION HINT



IN CREPE GEORGETTE AND LACE. Over a foundation of cream white Nut rolls—To two cupfuls of raised gette tunic of this evening gown is dough—which may be kept over from draped, being looped at the sides with baking on the ice-add two tablespoon-invisible effect. The lower edge of the fuls of melted butter and half a cupful foundation skirt is trimmed with a of chopped nutmeats. Work in well and form into small rolls. Brush the tops with melted butter, let rise, and bake in with rich brown fur. The deep girdle Carrots and peas-Cook carrots until blouses a bodice of chiffon trimm tender, drain, and add to an equal quan-blouses a bodice of chiffon trimmed tity of canned peas. Add butter, pepper, with lace. Crepe forms the puff

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IF YOU CAN FIND TIME TO THINK

Isn't it a fact that you often let that is celebrated across the seas, and the Fourth of July go by without ever once harboring a thrill of patriotism? There was so much to do, so many holiday plans to carry out that you quite forgot those hale old patriots who signed the Declaration of Independence and loyal descendant of Independence and Ind

name down on the list of peace soci- furthering "peace on earth," even do? What good do peace conferences squabbles and jealousies isn't quite so do? Isn't Henry Ford the most ridi- inspiring a procedure as signing our name to some magnificent peace peti-You are right. It does seem rath- tion or taking out a membership in the newest organization for the pro-MARY MARSHALL

FAMOUS WOMAN, HER

BIRTHDAY AND YOURS By MARY MARSHALL

Docember 25-Clara Barton.

Clars Barton was a Christmas child, born ninety-six years ago todsy, in 1831, at North Oxford, Mass. Her father was Capt. Barton, who had fought under Mad Anthony Wayne against the Indians, and her mother was

and all public guardians should prepare for unexpected service.

Agriculture comes under a government of the stars that is held to be unfavorable. Crops may suffer severely through floods and unusual storms.

A catastrophe in which a public office—perhaps a court house—will be destroyed is foreshadowed for an Eastern City.

Persons of every vocation should

The a \$4,000 schoolhouse, due to her engry.

Teaching was too strenuous for Miss Barton's health, and she took a position, in 1854 as a clerk in the United States Patent Office. There she remained until the war, when she resigned to work among the wounded soldiers. She solicited supplies—which she always got—she worked on the field, in camp, and in the hospitals. After the war she worked to lower the number of missing men—some \$0,000. And by searching men—some 80,000. And by searching through camp hospitals and working among men at Andersonville prison she was able to raise stones over some 12,000 graves. In 1869 Miss Barton visited Europe to

In 1863 Miss Barton visited Europe to recuperate from overwork, and there, in Switzerland, she joined the Red Cross. She established it in this country in 1881 and was appointed its president by President Garfield. In this country an amendment was adopted to make the Red Cross service available not only on the battlefield, but in case of fire, famine, flood, postilence and other disasters. the battlefield, but in case of fire, famine, flood, pestilence and other disasters. Miss Barton worked with the Red Cross Society at the time of the Charleston earthquake, the Mississippi and Ohio floods, the Johnstown flood and other calamities. She was in Johnstown on the first train to enter after the flood, and she remained there for five months.

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CHRISTMAS AT DIET KITCHEN.

Forty Certificates and a Punch and greeted, and she knew that no one missed her through the hours she spent Judy Show Will Be Given.

On Monday afternoon at 2:30 there will be a Christmas entertainment at the Washington Diet Kitchen headquarters at 2500 Dumbarton avenue for the children and parents associated with the work of the various stations throughout the city. One of the most interesting features of the event with Miss. Estable. features of the event, said Miss Estelle Wheeler, when asked about the plans, the children who have conformed to the regulations of the diet kitchens for the first two years of their lives. There will be about fort given out on Monday and after this the presentation of these certificates to the youngsters who qualify day's entertainment, and a Pur and Judy show, as well as gifts for al vill sing their carols around the tree. On Tuesday at 3:30 the same exercises will be given for the colored childre connected with the stations.

Work of the Audubon Societies.

The Audubon societies, which have al-ready checked the killing of native birds for millinery purposes, now purpose stop the slaughter of song birds for for The two greatest enemies of the small bird are the negro of the South and the a bitter smile to await the flight of her spirit into a world where perhaps Italian in the North, according to T. Gil-bert Pearson, secretary of the National Association of Audubon societies, who is she might find a niche. devoting his life to the conservation of

"Millions of small birds in migration are destroyed yearly by the people of Southern States and used for food," said above her, and the silence of her little room was rent with sobbing. cieties, 1974 Broadway, recently. destruction, now increasing, is having serious effect on the number of sons birds in the North. Negroes are armed with guns, and many are proficient in other means of destruction. In the North.

She was vagueness little room. Then st large numbers of foreign laborers, com-ing from Europe, kill small birds for food. It is only recently that little birds were sold in large quantities in New

ong birds is a stupendous task. It must fear and hope, done by educating the public through he schools, the press and the clergy in order that better laws and better encorement of the laws now on the statute sooks may be had. The sum of \$100,000 is needed now for this purpose,

"The scarcity of robins, bluebirds and sobolinks is becoming noticeable over

bobolinks is becoming noticeable over wide areas. We try to reach the public way possible, and it takes great when the answer came a strange new radiance lighted her eyes; the heart of money to do it. One way is that had not known a flutter in many a year gave a bound of gladness, and the circulars and circulars are an enfamiliar saves of instification for her existence took possession of her

cxpensive.

Take our Junior Audubon Society for example. Over 180,000 children belong to the various branches of that, all over the country and last year we took in 185,000 from them. each child paying 10 cents a year, but 1 spent over \$40,000 supplying them with educational literature.

"Each one receives a button as a badge and ten beautifully illustrated leaflets which the child cannot help be all over the country in the treated of some one bird and is accompanied by a colored plate showing a companied by a colored plate showing a companied by a colored plate showing a colored plate showing a companied by a colored plate showing a selectation is making a special effect treats of some one bird amount of good.

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holidays that bind the home ties closer and teach one to how many lives one's own has a meaning.

Alone in the little back room in her brother's house which represented all she knew of "home" The Lonely Woman sat fingering the gifts that the season had brought her as a tribute to duty rather than to love; her eyes traveling out over the grey roof of the city in dull speculation of life as it had been—and was to come.

All through the years she had seemed to have just missed the purpose of existence, until now, when life was no longer at spring-time, she found herself a fifth wheel, without apparent justification of being.

In all the Christmas merriment of her brother's household she had felt under the weight of their frozen.

The snow is falling, blown like litting feathers against my shook Lottic until she opened her said: "Merry Christmas, Lottie! Let's see what Santa Claus has brought the shroud of white and I could never understand why any simile involving death should suggest itself to one gazing across the snow-trimmed houses, or upon the trees, groaning suggested Lottie, who always has the house wight of their frozen. In all the Christmas merriment of her brother's household she had felt under the weight of their frozen hidden them in the room and didn't branches. It has always meant life to out them in the stockings, just for me. I dream of all that is born under that protecting blanket of white-life that is there, stirring restlessly in its ment. "Of course, that is what he did," and clapped my hands with excite-ment." I guess they are under the sleep. I feel that the trees and flow- bed." I guess they are under the ers are merely resting after three Lottie scrambled under the bed long seasons of activity, preparing while I peeked into the closet. They for the greatest season of all, the the bureau drawers and even back of most creative one-spring.

Several years we spent in the all- no locupling sunshine countries during holiday ing of Santa Claus.

I can never forget how deeply we season, and I did not feel as though were hurt or how lonely we felt as scason, and I did not feel as though Christmas had really arrived. I remember going for a swim in the Pacific Ocean one Christmas afternoon and eating our dinner under the palm trees, in a rose bower, gowned in little summer dresses as if it were July instead of December. This was beautiful for a change, but what I like best is to be in the cold countries where the snow is piled against the door and the houses are warm and snug.

The fire in the grate is so beautiful, and in the old-fashioned homes you sit around in the evening popping corn or eating chestnuts hot from the coals. And there will be cider in pewter mugs, while from the cider in pewter mugs and cider i ing odors of spice, mince and roasting turkey. The children will hang up their stockings, and the daddy of the household will always dress like their stockings, and the daddy of the household will always dress like Santa Claus, and come rollicking into know what to do with her hair, which is falling out, and for a chapped combold. In the old-fashioned parlors, plexion. Whenever I notice my hair in Mystic Robes. deliberate waltzes.

Lottie, Jack and I still love to hang although the simple old remedy of mutton tallow

our stockings, and our mother always one of the best after all. ember sky, and, one by one, took up the gifts that the yuletide had brought,

For an hour she sat so still that a little gray mouse crept out of its At first the sound of laughter floated up to The Lonely Woman from the living room below, but, after a spell, the house, too, became very still—

I felt that Santa Claus was very about. near-possibly by now scampering over the roof of this very hotel and Evidently her brother's wife, who shared her husband's indifference toward his sister's existence, had followed the example of the rest of the
family and gone out. "When at the age of forty-five one is a rank outsider there is no justifi-"When at the age of forty-five one is a rank outsider there is no justifi- soon as we tumbled into our beds, cation for the space one occupies," The Lonely Woman told herself frankly so we closed our eyes tight and were soon fast asleep. as she opened her door to be sure that in all this big house on the day

> SCHOOL PUPILS GIVE **CHRISTMAS DRAMAS**

Plays Presented by Advanced Students-Kindergarten Children Rally With her first vague consciousness splendid sweeps of invigorating air Around Yuletide Trees.

came to The Lonely Woman through her open window as the doctor bent Public schools in Washington close Thursday for ten days of Christmas vacation. The event was celebrated with programs in most of the buildings, in-She was thinking how glad she was to be through with life when the cluding plays in the various high scho vagueness lifted, and she recognized her own familiar bed, and her own drab and Christmas trees in the kindergar-

"Twelfth Knight" was presented at Eastern High School with a cast as fol-lows: Lester Dessez, Francis W. Hatfield, Ferris English, William B. Douglass, Who in all the world could be sobbing in her room, questioned The Dorothy R. Shaner and Charles Lyons At Western High Sch York City, and they are still sold by But when again she emerged it was with a clearer brain which grasped the meaning of the young girl kneeling beside her bed in a quiver of mingled Training School gave "A Scrap of Pasong birds is a stupendous task. It must fear and hope. Costello, Florence Burton, Margaret "Mary!" exclaimed The Lonely Woman, "Why, Mary, I had forgotten Smith, Ridgeway Taylor, Howard Fel-lows, Cleon Throckmorton, Francis Cole, and Earl Hummer. "Oh," sobbed the orphan girl into whose life The Lonely Woman had brought

"Just Before Christmas" was presentall there had ever been of love and comfort and happiness, "if you hadn't ed by the Business High School Dra-matic Society. Those taking part were: Helen R. Moore, Carl E. Gill, Leah Reich-ard, Edith Hall, Hilda Reagle, William "I mean so much as that to you?" questioned The Lonely Woman, and when the answer came a strange new radiance lighted her eyes; the heart Johnston, Leon Weinburg, Agnes Jesse, Robert Miller, Minnie Gorman, C. El-bert Anadale, C. Morton Fry, Frank, an unfamiliar sense of justification for her existence took possession of her Marks, Karl Wassmann, Louis Biron

Several years we spent in the allno footprints which showed the pass-

The Old-Fashioned Christmas.

The Old-Fashioned Christmas.

But in order to know the heights

cider in pewter mugs, while from the kitchen will come the most tantaliz-once in your heart, he will never pass in godors of spice mines and roast, out of your life.

hold. In the old-fashioned parlors, plexion. Whenever I notice my hair which are larger than our modern is falling. I brush it every night until the dead nair has left the scalp and that the dead nair has left the scalp and they digest the goodies they have been eating by dancing the "Virginia Reel" or the old square dances, Tess Shampooed Her Hair," I have which are ever so much more fun given the simple remedies I know, than our modern one-steps or slow deliberate waltzes.

| Continue of the old square dances are simple remedies I know before the teachers of the school and the priests of St. Aloysius Church in the continue of the simple old-fashioned assembly hall. North Capitol and St.

Miss Lollie A., mber sky, and, one by one, took up the gifts that the yuletide had brought, conglomeration of hap-hazard remembrances of her existence that showed most single instance aught beyond the necessity of the giver.

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"End an hour she set so, still that a little gray wowse event set of its."

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Christmas morning.

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It was bitter cold and there was follows: Isaac, Miss Helen High were as follows: Isaac, Miss Helen High were as follows: Isaac, Miss Helen High with the company which promised her a fine position. One must be very careful, as no established company will ask a premium from people they are about to employ. She has been disappointed many months, not hearing the company which promised her a fine position. One must be very careful, as no established company will ask a premium from people they are as follows: Isaac, Miss Helen High were as f the company.

It was bitter cold and there was new field, which needs careful looklittle of the festive Christmas in our ing into, to be sure on the right plane,

Mary Mickford.

society libraries, 1.975 out of 1,300; bureau of officials in the Bureau of Education, Il out of 33.

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of them made by herself or my aunt.

The play opened with a plano duet by Misses Mary O'Brien and Helena Keane.

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Miss Lollic A., —, writes The play opened with a plano duet by Misses Mary O'Brien and Helena Keane.

Christmas morning. Miss Katherine Cowles; Pharoah's daughter. Miss Margaret Fennell; attendants, Misses Kathleen Tobin, Mary Rhodel, Frances Geler, Anna Donn and Catherine Horen: David, Miss Katherine Caaney; Samuel, Miss Josephine Shehan, Issias, Miss Mary Mealey; Blesselvirgin, Miss Mercedes Phelan; St. Jeseph, Anna Easby-Smith; shepherdi, Misses Mary Murphy, Mary Holland, Marie Nohe, Mary Hartigan and Catherine Geary; wise men, Misses Mary Haden, Elizabeth Bogan and Catherine O'Donoghue.

The choir was composed of Misses Log-etta Schwartz, Marie Hayes, Josephine Crowley, Frances Mealey, Kathering Creveling, Muriel Cavanaugh, Margaret Keilher, Alice Cornwell, Alice Cueh, Adg-laide Lanahan, Gertrude Lucas, Helsa Quill, Anna Gier and Mary Garner. Solos were sung by Miss Erma Cain.

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